



Clark County Regional Support Network Policy Statement

Policy No.: CM05
Policy Title: Single Bed Certification
Effective Date: October 1, 2005

Policy: In order to meet individual treatment needs for eligible consumers, CCRSN can request approval for single bed certification from Washington State Hospital (WSH), as designated by MHD. If WSH approves the request, treatment may be provided to an adult on a 72-hour detention or 14-day commitment in a facility that is not certified under WAC 388-865-0500, or may be provided for a maximum of thirty days to allow a community facility to provide treatment to an adult on a 90- or 180-day inpatient involuntary commitment order.

Reference: WAC 388-865-0526, CCRSN Policy and Procedure: CM 13 Intake and Assessment, CM 19-A Psychiatric Inpatient Covered Diagnoses, QM 05 Element of Care Clinical Guidelines

Procedure:

1. CCRSN shall submit a written request for single bed certification to Western State Hospital prior to the commencement of the order (CM05-A Single Bed Certification Request Form). The request shall be faxed to the WSH Director of Social Work.
2. The facility receiving the single bed certification shall meet all requirements in accordance with WAC 388-865-0526, unless specifically waived by MHD.
3. In order to be approved for single bed certification, the consumer must meet at least one of the following criteria:
 - a. The consumer requires services not available at a facility certified under WAC 388-865-0500 or a state psychiatric hospital; or
 - b. The consumer is expected to be ready for discharge from inpatient services in the next 30 days and staying at a community facility will facilitate continuity of care, consistent with the consumer's individual treatment needs.
4. The written request for single-bed certification shall include:
 - a. The consumer's name, date of birth, social security number, and legal status;
 - b. The criteria needed to meet approval (# 3 above);
 - c. The expected benefit to the consumer as a result of approval of the request;
 - d. Estimation of the length of certification, including the number of days and dates the certification is expected to be in effect.
5. If a dispute arises, the dispute resolution process as identified in the CCRSN/WSH Agreement will be followed. The CCRSN Deputy Director shall be available to meet with the parties involved, including the WSH Medical Director, to resolve the conflict.

6. Neither consumers nor facilities have administrative hearing rights as defined in WAC 388-02 regarding single-bed certification decisions by MHD.

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